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Leo Another Victim of Pet trade!



Leo was rescued on 15th March 2008 from Kyangwali village in Hoima district, following a tip off from a concerned resident to the Jane Goodall Institute staff.

He had been confined for one year in a wooden cage structure (see photo above) in a home of a renowned catholic priest.

The 3 year old chimp was recovered with help of the Police and brought to the quarantine center in Entebbe.

Behaviour He gets stressed when left alone, spends most of the time playing and likes human touch, a sign of prolonged stay in captivity before confiscation.

Health. Leo weighs 8.6 kg and tested negative for tuberculosis. There are no worms in his faeces although his stool has continued to be loose, with clear urine an indication of being well hydrated.

Leo has good appetite, however when left alone he does not eat at the same pace as when he has company.

Incidents On several occasions, he attempted to escape from the enclosure. He bit his surrogate mother in the first and second week after his arrival.

Mac and Afrika Brief Leo comes in after the rescue of Afrika in November, 2007 and Mac in February 2008. The duo continued to improve and have no health concerns as indicated from the latest health check.

The Island Residents!

The chimps general health checks for this year went very well; with no health concerns, including Tuberculosis. Rambo was our first chimp to use the new x-ray machine which proved that his fractured arm has fully healed. Asega who was limping on the left leg has no damage on the bones. Mika has become so aggressive on the other boys and frequently beats them. Kalema recently got injured from the beating. He is responding very well to medication. Nagoti, Nakuu and Nanni are developing a habit of returning very late to the holding facility and seem not bothered to go without porridge in the evening. There was no chimp escape this month.

Secondary Schools Wildlife Contest

We kicked off marking 10 years of Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary "protecting our heritage and protecting our relatives" on the 14th March, 2008. 25 schools participated in the secondary schools Miss/Mr Ngamba Island contest at Kyambogo College School in Kampala. A senior six student of St Marks College Namagoma emerged the winner among the girls and St Peter Secondary School Nsambya for the boys.



Great Ape Kit in Western Uganda!

CSWCT and the Wildlife Clubs of Uganda continue with the Great Ape education and outreach program. We covered; 8 schools in Kanungu District (498 students), 6 schools in Kisoro District (290 students), 4 schools in Rukungiri District (179 students).



Myende School Facilities Commissioned

On the 30th March 2008, Hon Janet Mukwaya, Minister of Tourism Trade and Industry, accompanied by the Mukono District and Local Government officials, the Chairman of CSWCT Trustee Board, Dr. Andrew Seguya officially commissioned Myende classrooms and sanitation facilities. The project was supported by CSWCT to benefit 140 pupils at Myende landing site on Lake Victoria- Uganda.



Minister unveils the plaque



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EVENTS

City Tyres 4WD Chimp Charge Challenge is on 3rd May 2008 at On course Kitende starting at 9:00 am. For direction visit www.onCourse4wd.com. Come Support the Chimps!

Chimpanzee Conservation Workshop 3rd to 5th July, 2008 at Hotel Africana Uganda. For more information and registration, please contact Email: sanctuarymanager@ngambaisland.org Tel +256 772 221 539

10 Years of Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary

"Protecting our heritage, preserving our closest relatives"

Be part of the upcoming events and the grand celebrations on 12th October, 2008.

Pant hoots from the chimps & staff of CSWCT!